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# H. R. 1520

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 1997

Ms. DEGETTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Clinical Social Work-  
5       ers’ Recognition Act of 1997”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXAMINATIONS BY CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS**  
2 **FOR FEDERAL WORKER COMPENSATION**  
3 **CLAIMS.**

4 Section 8101 of title 5, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2) by striking “and osteo-  
7 pathic practitioners” and inserting “osteopathic  
8 practitioners, and clinical social workers”; and

9 (2) in paragraph (3) by striking “and osteo-  
10 pathic practitioners” and inserting “osteopathic  
11 practitioners, and clinical social workers”.

12 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13 The amendments made by this Act shall be applicable  
14 in the case of any injury occurring on or after the date  
15 of the enactment of this Act.

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